## IR3-1-104 Visitors.

(1) As used in this rule, "committee" means any interim committee, special committee, or subcommittee.

(2)

- (a) The chair shall ensure that visitors to a committee meeting or hearing sit in chairs designated for that purpose.
- (b) The chair may not allow visitors to speak during a committee meeting unless:
  - (i) the chair specifically invites them to speak; or
  - (ii) the meeting has been designated a public hearing and the visitors agree to comply with any restrictions on time and order announced by the chair.

(3)

- (a) If the chair allows public comment or testimony on a bill or other matter before the committee, the chair may, or a majority of the committee may, require that any or all person's testimony be taken under oath.
- (b) The oath shall be administered by the committee chair, cochair, or committee staff.
- (4) The chair shall:
  - (a) ensure that the number of visitors, members, and staff at a hearing or meeting does not exceed the number posted by the state fire marshal as the limit of occupancy for the room where the meeting is held; and
  - (b) announce when the limit is reached and prevent the entry of additional persons into the room.